Loflin Mine

Carolina Slate Belt



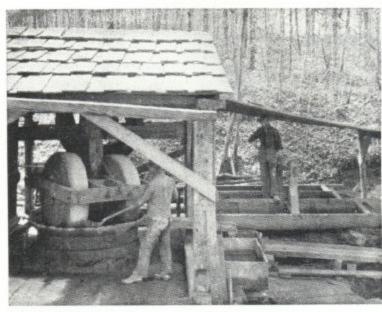
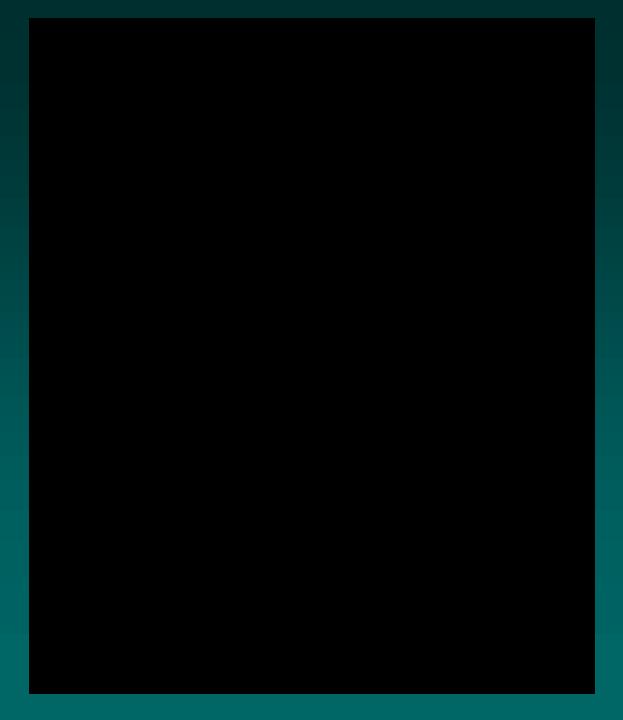
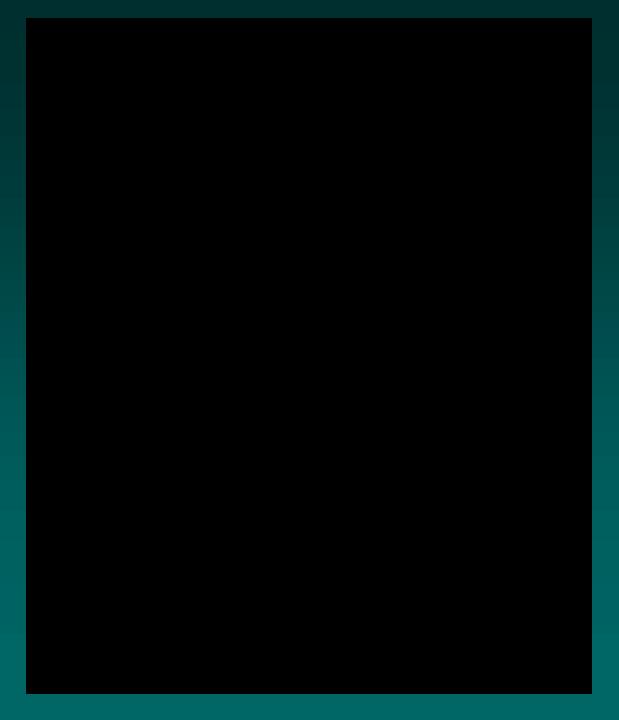


Figure 20. Log rockers and Chilean drag mill and rockers near Gold Hill, about 1896 (From Nitze and Wilkens, 1897).

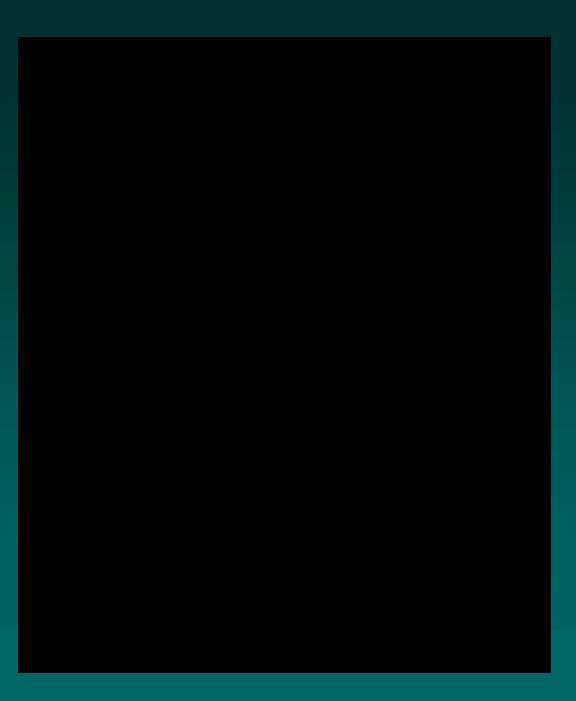


Locations of mine workings and residences.



Arsenic in Soils 50 mg/kg and 400 mg/kg

contours.



Soil Arsenic in Residential Yards; mg/kg

Arsenic Speciation

- Predominantly As⁺⁵
- $As^{+3} / As^{+5} = 0.002$ to 0.019
- Higher ratios from unoxidized rock samples.

- Biomonitoring limited to few volunteers.
- Detected As levels not considered unsafe.
- Correlation with As levels in household dust

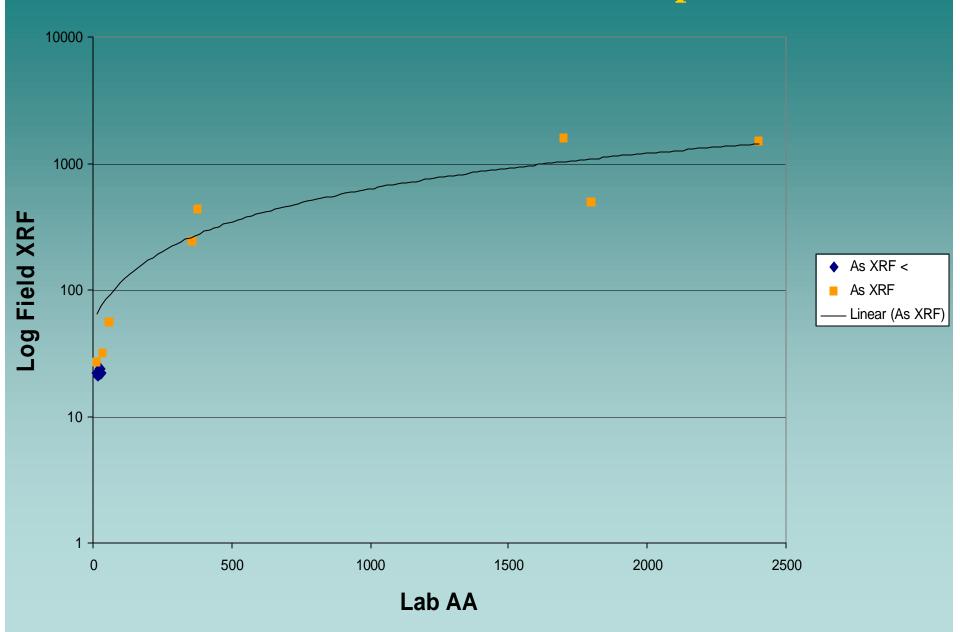
HRS Scoring

Areas with
Mine Dump
Material

Removal Work Plan

- Turf in existing yards where soil As > 40mg/kg
- Additional sampling (indoor dust, biological?)
- Confirmation sampling w/alternative analytical tools

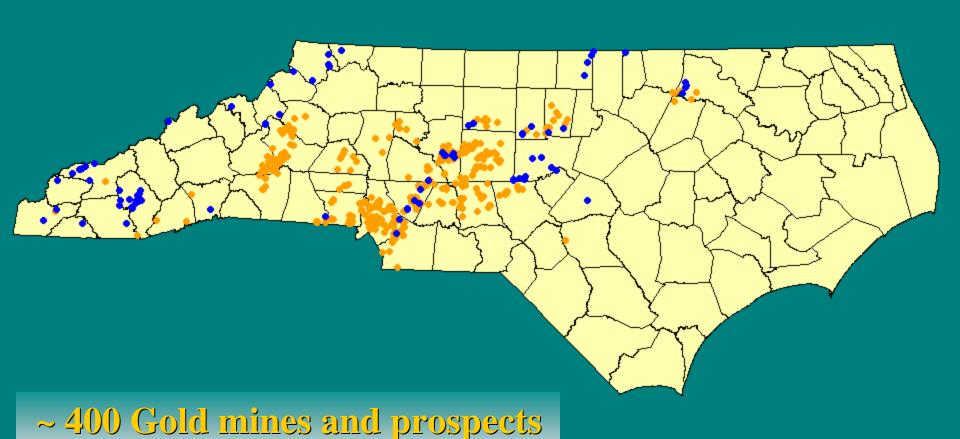
Loflin Field XRF/Lab AA Comparison



Coordination w/County Agencies

- Share GIS records of mine locations and sampling data
- Loflin Removal as template for development requirements
- Sampling backup

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